

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the amendments set forth above and the below remarks.

Claims 1-38 are pending in the application. Claims 12 and 13 are herein canceled without prejudice.

Applicant herein amends the specification to address the errors noted on page 2 of the present Office Action.

Applicant herein cancels claims 12 and 13 without prejudice to expedite allowance of the application. Applicant does not cancel these claims for reasons of patentability and expressly reserves the right to pursue these and other claims without prejudice in continuation applications.

The Examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigning attorney if there are any questions regarding this Amendment or this application.

Applicant does not acquiesce to any assertion made by the Examiner that is not specifically addressed herein.

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500845.

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